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LETTER DATED 1 JUNE 1995 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE CONFERENCE ADDRESSED TO THE DEPUTY SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE ON DISARMAMENT TRANSMITTING THE TEXT OF A STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY, ISSUED BY THE OFFICE OF THE PRESS SECRETARY OF THE WHITE HOUSE ON 15 MAY 1995, CONCERNING AN UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR TEST CONDUCTED BY CHINA

Attached is the text of a statement by the Press Secretary, issued by the Office of the Press Secretary of the White House on 15 May 1995, concerning an underground nuclear test conducted by China.

I would be grateful if you would issue this text as an official document of the Conference on Disarmament and distribute it to all member States and non-member participants in the work of the CD.

(Signed): Stephen J. Ledogar
Ambassador
Permanent Representative

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

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May 15, 1995

STATEMENT BY THE PRESS SECRETARY

Today, China conducted an underground nuclear test at the Lop Nur test site in northwest China. The United States deeply regrets this action, coming only days after the successful conclusion of the NPT Extension Conference in New York where China agreed to exercise "utmost restraint" in nuclear testing pending the entry into force of a Comprehensive Test Ban (CTB) Treaty. We urge China to refrain from further nuclear tests and to join the other nuclear powers in a global moratorium as we work to complete a CTB Treaty at the earliest possible time.

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